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A meeting was held April 6, 1964 between the City Council and Mr. Richard Thomas, Manager of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Office, to discuss the telephone company's responsibilities concerning the street repairs to be made during and after the contractor had completed the installation of the underground conduit.

Present: A.O. Umstead, Vice Mayor, A.V. Woods, J.B. Taggart

Also Present: C.F. Jester, Jr., City Manager and Richard Thomas, Norton C & P Telephone Co. Manager.

The City Council informed Mr. Thomas of its dissatisfaction with the way the contractor was back filling the ditch. The Council stated that such improper tamping of the back fill would cause future settlement, thereby creating a maintenance problem. Such maintenance should not be at the City's expense.

Mr. Thomas assured the Council that the telephone company has had an inspector on the job and has made every effort to make the street repairs to the Council's satisfaction.

Mr. Thomas informed the Council that the telephone company is holding the construction company responsible for street repairs and settlement for one (1) year or more by with holding 20% of the contract for that period.

The Council stated they were concerned with the responsibilty of maintenance after one year had elapsed. Mr. Thomas stated that the telephone company would be responsible for any street maintenance that may develop in the future as a direct result of their construction in or on the streets of Norton.

In conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Thomas informed the Council that it is the telephone company's intention to leave the streets in their original conditions, or better, and to see that the repairs and subsequent work meet with the Council's approval.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

A copy of these minutes to be mailed to Mr. Richard Thomas, Norton C & P Telephone Company Manager.

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